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San Francisco Will Be Wiped Off the Map.

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CALL ON LOS ANGELES FOR AID

City Asked to Contribute Train Load of Canned Goods.

ROOSEVELT ACTS IN A HURRY

Signs Resolution Giving Frisco Sufferers a Million Dollars.

PRESIDENT MAKES PUBLIC APPEAL

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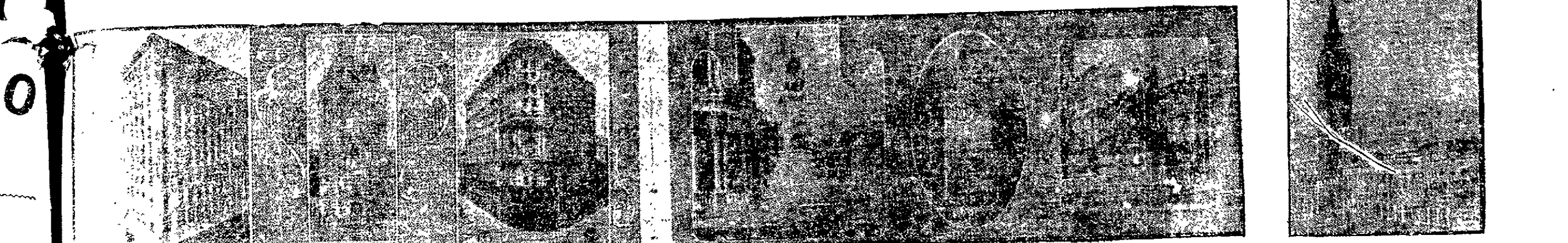
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Takes in Opera Houses.
The opera houses were taken in by the fire. The opera houses were taken in by the fire. The opera houses were taken in by the fire.

Spreckels Building.
The Spreckels Building was one of the buildings that was burned. The Spreckels Building was one of the buildings that was burned. The Spreckels Building was one of the buildings that was burned.

Parrott Building Goes.
The Parrott Building was one of the buildings that was burned. The Parrott Building was one of the buildings that was burned. The Parrott Building was one of the buildings that was burned.

Witnessed Destruction.
The destruction was witnessed by many people. The destruction was witnessed by many people. The destruction was witnessed by many people.

Treating the Injured.
The injured were being treated. The injured were being treated. The injured were being treated.

Hotels Are Lost.
The hotels were lost. The hotels were lost. The hotels were lost.

Swept Across Market.
The market was swept across. The market was swept across. The market was swept across.

Gather in Parks.
People gathered in the parks. People gathered in the parks. People gathered in the parks.

Shocks Felt As Far As Hazen, Nev.
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TELEGRAPH TICKS OFF THE STORY
Operator at Oakland Gives Graphic Description of the Frisco Horror.

New York, April 18.—With a telegraph instrument in the New York office of the Western Union company connected directly with another instrument in Oakland, Cal., whose operator sat looking across the harbor at the appearance of California's metropolis burning rapidly and with its buildings now and then tossed into the air by dynamite charges, was received by the operator in New York the instrument created by the New York man frequently vibrated from earthquake shocks which were at that moment occurring on the other side of the continent.

GREAT CONFLAGRATIONS IN U. S. SINCE 1835.

City	Date	Buildings	Value
New York City	Dec. 16, 1835	530 buildings	\$15,000,000
Charleston, S. C.	April 27, 1838	1,135 buildings	5,000,000
New York City	June 20, 1845	400 buildings	6,000,000
Pittsburgh, Pa.	April 19, 1845	1,100 buildings	10,000,000
San Francisco	May 3, 1847	2,500 buildings	10,000,000
Sacramento, Cal.	Nov. 12, 1847	general	7,000,000
Charleston, S. C.	Dec. 11, 1847	general	10,000,000
Portland, Me.	July 4, 1848	1,743 buildings	15,000,000
Chicago, Ill.	Oct. 8, 1871	212 acres	15,000,000
Boston, Mass.	Nov. 9, 1872	65 acres	6,000,000
Seattle, Wash.	June 6, 1889	general	5,000,000
Spokane, Wash.	Oct. 28, 1892	general	5,000,000
Laurel, Miss.	Nov. 26, 1893	230 buildings	5,000,000
Milwaukee, W. Va.	Oct. 28, 1902	vessels and docks	5,000,000
Hoboken, N. J.	June 30, 1900	120 blocks	10,000,000
Tacoma, Wash.	May 8, 1901	400 buildings	10,000,000
Patterson, N. J.	Feb. 5, 1902	110 acres	5,000,000
Baltimore, Md.	Feb. 7, 1904	110 acres	5,000,000

FACTS ABOUT SAN FRANCISCO
San Francisco was known as the most cosmopolitan city of the United States, as well as having the reputation of being the most wicked city of this country.

Population.
The first settlement was in 1776 and the greater growth came with the immigration of the gold hunters in 1849. It was unique among cities as it combined the energy of this country with the luxury of the Orient.

Population.
The population was made up of people from all parts of the country. The city claimed 485,000 people and stood eighth in size among the cities of the nation.

Geography.
The city was situated on a peninsula with on one side the ocean and on the other the bay, which with its connections, extends north and south forty miles.

Area.
The city had five 516 newspapers, 10 theaters, 82 public schools, 29 parks, 62 hotels, 4 libraries.

Water.
The harbor was the pride and marvel of navigators since Juan de Ayala discovered it in 1775.

San Francisco was 26 miles long and 6 miles wide. It is connected with the mainland by three of the Southern Pacific, the Central Pacific, the Northern Pacific, and the Santa Fe and was the stopping place for many of the Trans-Pacific lines.

TWO KILLED AT STANFORD
Many California Towns Felt Destructive Effect of Earthquake.

Oakland, April 18.—Reports from districts outside of San Francisco indicate widespread damage. San Jose, fifty miles south, lost many buildings and at least twenty people killed. At San Francisco many of the handsome buildings were demolished and two people killed. Juntas Robert Hanna, of Bradford, Pa., and Otto Guits, fireman, and six other students, all Californians, and six lying at Palo Alto hospital with bruises, cuts and internal injuries.

The court house at Redwood City and other buildings collapsed.

CHICAGO STARTS RELIEF FUND
Bloomington Also Ready to Give Money for Sufferers.

Chicago, April 18.—Chicago will take immediate official action to all in relieving the suffering and destitution in San Francisco. A special meeting of the city council will be held tomorrow afternoon at which resolutions of sympathy will be tendered the stricken city, and Mayor Dunne will be authorized to appoint a committee representing all business houses, trades organizations and nationalities in the city to take charge of contributions of money and supplies which will be sent to the coast rapidly as possible. Arrangements for the formation of trains bearing relief to the stricken city will be made at once.

A mass meeting of the citizens will be held tomorrow morning for the purpose of formulating measures of relief.

The Chicago Commercial association tonight offered financial aid to the citizens of San Francisco.

EARTHQUAKES RECENT TIMES
Lisbon, Nov. 1, 1755, loss of lives, 60,000.
Calabria, in 1783.
Cancun, destroyed in 1822.
Alameda, destroyed in 1822.
Mount Ararat in 1810.
Bursa, Asia Minor, in 1855.
Naples, in 1857.
Quito, in 1869.
Mendoza, Argentina, in 1860.
Minnia, in 1867.
In Peru, in 1868.
Mauritius, in 1880.
Valparaiso, in 1880.
Ischia, in 1883.
Earthquake with eruption of Krakatau in 1883.
Eastern England, in 1884.
Malaga and Granada, 1884 and 1885.
Charleston, in 1886.
Japan, in 1891.
Chilpancingo, Mexico, in 1892.
Jucaltenango, Guatemala, in 1902.

USE DYNAMITE TO CHECK FIRE
Two Fine Structures Are Sacrificed in the Fight.

Oakland, Cal., April 18.—The Palace hotel, is destroyed. The Postal and Western Union buildings and the magnificent new Union Trust company building, eleven stories high, have been dynamited.

MINIATURE SHOCKS IN WASHINGTON
Weather Officials Report Small Earthquake at Washington.

Washington, April 18.—Weather Bureau officials announce that an earthquake of miniature proportions occurred in Washington today. The needle of the seismograph about 8:30 o'clock was thrown violently from side to side. The shock, however, was not perceptible to those in the buildings or on the streets.

THE RAILROADS SINK DOWN
Three Miles of Track Goes Out of Sight With Earthquake.

New York, April 18.—A telegram from Sacramento to the Western Union Telegraph company reports that three miles of railroad sank out of sight as a result of the earthquake, between Susan and Benicia, and all wires were taken with it. At Elysian there were several cars buried on the main line, blocking the train.

Up to the time of receiving the dispatch the Western Union had been unable to get into communication with San Francisco.

BIG SHOCK FELT IN 1897
San Francisco Had an Earthquake Nine Years Ago.

San Francisco, April 18.—The last earthquake in San Francisco occurred early in the afternoon of June 25, 1897. At that time the shock, with a peculiar wrenching motion, lasted for 30 seconds.

Fortunately the disturbance caused no loss of life, although a panic in Calvary church was narrowly averted by the coolness of the pastor.



SAN FRANCISCO DOOMED CITY

Earthquake Followed by Conflagration Kills From 1,000 to 2,500 and Destroys \$200,000,000 in Property

Fire Sweeps Through City Eating Up Magnificent Buildings, While People Flee for Their Lives---Dynamite Used to Stay Flames' Progress

At 10 O'Clock Last Night the Associated Press Was Practically Helpless to Secure More News

Residents of San Francisco were startled by an earthquake shock at 5:15 a. m. Wednesday. It was the most severe this country has ever known. It was felt all along the coast. The earthquake was followed by fire which destroyed nearly all of the city. Lives lost are estimated from 1,000 to 2,500 in San Francisco and neighboring towns. Property loss is over one hundred million dollars. Other cities suffered with further loss of life.

PEOPLE FLEEING

San Francisco, April 18—At 10 o'clock fire unabated, people fleeing to the hills and clamoring for places on ferry boats to escape.

LOSS \$200,000,000.

San Francisco, April 18—Midnight—Property loss \$200,000,000 and 50,000 people homeless.

ENTIRE CITY IS DOOMED.

San Francisco, April 18—10 p. m.—It looks now as if the entire city will be burned. The Associated Press is trying to get matter to Oakland by boat, but are very uncertain. The government is furnishing troops, but the confusion is so great that that they cannot be relied upon. It will be impossible to send full details for several days.

SPREADING ALL OVER CITY.

Oakland, Calif., April 18—8 p. m.—At this hour the fire is increasing in violence. It is spreading in all directions in both the business and residence quarters. It is reported that while a building was being blown up with dynamite a premature explosion killed fifteen men. The Terminal hotel at the water front and Market street fell today and buried twenty persons under the debris. These were incinerated and there is no possibility of learning their identity.

U. S. MINT IS BURNING.

Oakland, April 18—It is reported that the mint in San Francisco is ablaze and from outside indications it will be impossible to save it. The fire surrounds it on every hand.

Practically the whole district south of Market street and the water front to Mission has been swept clean by the flames.

SAN JOSE IS WRECKED.

Oakland, April 18—At San Jose the Vendome hotel Annex is badly wrecked and ten or fifteen killed. Every business building is demolished. It is estimated that fifty are killed at the postoffice which was half wrecked. Passengers arriving from other cities in California bring tales of death and disaster, that nearly all the buildings in Santa Cruz, Monterey, Gilroy, and Hollister are wrecked. The death list at Santa Cruz is reported large.

200 TO 300 KILLED AT SANTA ROSA.

Sacramento, Calif., April 18—Dr. Stone, superintendent of the Napa State hospital, telephones the office that an automobile arrived there from Santa Rosa is ruined and between 200 and 300 killed.

CLIFF HOT

San Francisco, April 18—The word that the g of the city, which has been swept into where the monster leveled to the four sea coast remains in

MAY BE 2,500 DEAD.

Los Angeles, April 18—A dispatch from Oakland late this afternoon says the fire is gaining in San Francisco and beyond control. The entire city is in danger. An extra issue here at 5.30 says the estimated number of dead is now 2,500 and that Fire Chief Sullivan was fatally injured by the falling walls. It states the Postal Telegraph building and Palace hotel are burning.

RUMOR THAT SQUADRON SUNK.

St. Louis, April 18—San Francisco in ruins and Pacific squadron reported sunk.

POSTAL WAS BESIEGED EIGHT MILES SQUARE

People Wanted to Send Messages From San Francisco.

San Francisco, April 18—The Postal Telegraph company was first to get a wire and its offices were besieged with people flying messages. The Santa Fe round house in China shops at Point Richmond across the bay collapsed.

BURNED OVER IN SAN FRANCISCO AT 8:00

San Francisco, April 18—8 p. m.—Over eight square miles have been burned in this city. The loss is estimated at \$100,000,000.

VESUVIUS WAVES ENCIRCLE EARTH

Weather Bureau Man Connects the Two Calamities.

Washington, April 18—In connection with the vibrations in the Chile Prof. Willis Moore of the Weather Bureau said today that the eruption of Vesuvius was recorded during its entire period on the margin of instruments of the observatory at Mount Weather, a few miles from this city in Virginia.

BUILDINGS KNOWN TO BE DAMAGED

The following are some of the largest structures wiped out by earthquake and fire.

CITY HALL—\$3,000,000 structure. PUBLIC LIBRARY destroyed by May 10. PAVILION AND STANFORD UNIVERSITY destroyed with one student killed. MONARCH BUILDING destroyed. PAPOT BUILDING destroyed. COURT HOUSE destroyed.

GRAND OPIA HOUSE—finest in the city destroyed with scenery and costumes of Metroplit Grand Opera Co. PALACE HOTEL, finest in city burned.

THE EXAMINER—newspaper office destroyed.

APOLLO HOUSE destroyed.

ACADEMY OF SCIENCE destroyed.

HISTORY BUILDING destroyed.

ARMY BUILDING headquarters for the Division of California.

FLOOD BUILDING newspaper offices burned.

GRAND HOTEL burned.

VALENCIA HOTEL total wreck.

SPECKELS BUILDING, one of the finest, was gutted, walls standing.

JENNY FLOOD BUILDING destroyed.

ARMSTRONG BUILDING, a skyscraper, wiped out by fire.

POSTAL TELEGRAPH BUILDINGS was gutted to check flames.

WESTERN UNION BUILDING was dynamited.

UNION TRUST COMPANY, magnificent new 11 story structure, dynamited.

PAPER OFFICE destroyed.

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